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To Whom It May Concern:

I'd like to express my opposition to the proposed settlement with Microsoft. I believe it does far too little to redress the past actions of Microsoft, and doesn't do enough to allow future competition.

Microsoft has achieved its position of market dominance not through superior products, but rather through predatory business practices. Microsoft has stifled innovation in the computer industry, and consumers have suffered harm as a result. I've been in meetings with venture capitalists where new business ideas are rejected out of hand, simply because of the hint of a rumor that Microsoft might someday be interested in pursuing something similar, and creating a successful business would therefore be impossible.

I feel that more drastic action is required in order to restore an environment in which companies succeed through the traditional means of producing higher quality products at a lower price.

Sincerely,

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